PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79968

Ekaterina BOUROVA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/791,382

Group Art Unit: 3663

Confirmation No.: 3506

Examiner: Ari M. DIACOU

Filed: March 3, 2004

For:

A DOPED-RING AMPLIFYING OPTICAL FIBER, AND AN AMPLIFIER

CONTAINING SUCH A FIBER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of November 2, 2006 to May 2, 2007.

The statutory fee of \$1,020.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19 4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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